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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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| First Inventor         | ETCHELLS, TIM                  |
| Title                  | MEDICAL DEVICE INLINE DEGASSER |
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning design patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
3.  Specification w/title page [Total Pages 16]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 3]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages ]  
 a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
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  - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
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6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 [Pages 2]

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7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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  - a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
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    - ii.  paper number of pages
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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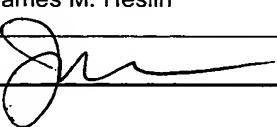
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